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**DEPUTIES' MEETING**

**Friday, 23 March 1956**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Dulles, Gen. Cabell, Mr. Wisner, Col. White,  
Messrs. Kirkpatrick, [REDACTED]  
Sheldon, Dr. Kent, [REDACTED]

**Mr. Dulles:**

a. Noted a report that a Life photographer had been successful in taking pictures of Nasser in uniform and is bringing these and other undeveloped pictures to the United States and asked that we get copies of these photographs.  
**ACTION:** DD/I.

b. Stated that while Mr. [REDACTED] is an excellent presenter, he desired that his intelligence briefings at the Deputies' Meetings pin-point crises rather than cover a general roundup. General Cabell agreed and said he had discussed this with DD/I and recommended that before any change is made Mr. Amory be consulted. The Director approved. **ACTION:** Mr. Sheldon.

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**General Cabell:**

Recommended that we debrief Rear Adm. Richard E. Byrd as a result of his recent trip to the Antarctic. Mr. Dulles approved and directed that this be done immediately. **ACTION:** DD/I.

**Mr. Wisner:**

a. Referred to his memorandum of 22 March to the Director respecting Krishna Menon and recommended that he (DD/P) send a copy to Walter McConaughy at State. The Director approved.

b. Raised the question of Mrs. [REDACTED] invitation from Amb. and Mrs. Bohlen to visit Moscow and said after

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thoughtful consideration he and Mr. [REDACTED] recommended against this visit. The Director and General Cabell concurred.  
ACTION: DD/P will inform Mr. [REDACTED] of this decision.

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Mr. Kirkpatrick:

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Colonel White:

a. Noted that the Department of State has approved construction of living quarters in [REDACTED] for its people assigned to that station and recommended that CIA take advantage of this and also build quarters for our people. Col. White said there is no question as to the necessity for this construction and in response to a query from the Director stated that we would require approximately \$300,000 immediately and about \$410,000 overall. The Director approved.

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b. Noted that a contract had been let for about \$200,000 to improve the landing strip at [REDACTED] and recommended that an additional \$150,000 be authorized to lengthen the strip to 5,000 feet in order to permit the landing of heavier aircraft. The Director approved.

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